

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) Art Unit: 1618
FOWLKES, et al.)
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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 1.115

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

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In response to the office action mailed November 29, 1999,
please enter the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 21 and 23.

In claim 22, replace "21" with --31--.

In claims 25-27, replace "21" with --31--.

Please add the following new claims:

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--31. A structured panel consisting of a plurality of
biased combinatorial linear peptide libraries, each library
having one and only one constant residue at a position fixed for
all peptides in all libraries of said panel, wherein, in each
library, said fixed position is (a) at least five residues from
both ends of the peptides or (b) within the middle 50% of the
peptides, and

wherein the amino acid is assigned to said fixed position
is not the same in all libraries of said panel,
each library being a separately screenable and physically
distinct entity from all other libraries of the panel.

32. A structured panel of biased combinatorial linear
peptide libraries, each library comprising a plurality of